

## PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

711 Capitol Way Rm. 206, PO Box 40908 • Olympia, Washington 98504-0908 • (360) 753-1111 • FAX (360) 753-1112 Toll Free 1-877-601-2828 • E-mail: pdc@pdc.wa.gov • Website: www.pdc.wa.gov

December 18, 2003

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Doug Ellis (360) 664-2735 Toll free 1-877-601-2828

## LOBBYISTS/CANDIDATES ASSESSED CIVIL PENALTIES AT ENFORCEMENT HEARING

**Olympia** – Chair of the Public Disclosure Commission, Susan Brady, found 29 candidates, 17 lobbyists and two political committees in violation of state Public Disclosure laws during brief enforcement hearings held Monday in Olympia.

Brady found **H.M.** "**Mike**" **Foote**, **Jr.**, candidate for Des Moines City Council, to have violated the Mini-Reporting limits during the 2001 election by accepting monetary contributions exceeding the \$300 limitation and to have violated the disclosure law in 2003 by failing to file a candidate registration report within two weeks of publicly announcing his candidacy. Foote was assessed a civil penalty of \$150 with \$100 suspended for the 2001 violation and a \$100 civil penalty with all suspended for the 2003 violation. The suspensions of the civil penalties were dependent upon no future violations of the disclosure law by Foote for four years.

Brady found **David Irons**, **Jr**., candidate for King County Council, in violation of state law by failing to make campaign records available for public inspection during the eight days before an election, by failing to timely file contribution reports and by failing to disclose complete vendor addresses when reporting campaign expenditures. Irons was assessed a civil penalty of \$300 with \$200 suspended provided he has no disclosure law violations during the next four years.

In separate hearings, Brady found that the **21**<sup>st</sup> **Century Leadership Council** violated disclosure laws by failing to timely file reports of contributions and expenditures and by failing to meet eligibility requirements for political committees who give contributions to state office candidates. The Leadership Council was assessed a civil penalty of \$100 with all suspended provided the committee has no violations of the disclosure law for the next four years.

Brief Enforcement Hearing December 18, 2003 Page 2

The **19**<sup>th</sup> **District Republican Legislative Committee** was also assessed a civil penalty of \$300 with \$200 of the penalty suspended provided the committee commits no violations of the disclosure law for the next two years. The district committee was found in violation for failing to timely file reports of contributions and expenditures.

## LOBBYISTS FOUND IN VIOLATION OF FAILURE TO REPORT

The following lobbyists were found in violation of state law for failing to timely file Lobbyist Monthly Expense Reports as required by law and were assessed a civil penalty by the Chair of the Commission.

- **Jennifer Hillman**, lobbyist for Progressive Animal Welfare Society, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100 with the penalty suspended pending no further violations this year.
- **Shannon Boldizsar**, lobbyist for the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce and East King County Chamber of Commerce Legislative Coalition, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100.
- **Thomas Gaetz**, lobbyist for the Asphalt Paving Association of Washington, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100 with the penalty suspended pending no further violations this year.
- Dedi Hitchens, lobbyist for the Washington Retail Association, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100.
- Pacific Communication Strategies, lobbyist for Associated Builders & Contractors Inland Pacific Chapter, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, INTEC, Spokane Area Chamber of Commerce, Spokane Intercollegiate Research & Technology Institute, and Spokane Public Facilities District, was assessed a civil penalty of \$150.
- Kate Monahan, lobbyist for Sherry Appleton, was assessed a civil penalty of \$150.
- Tess McShane, lobbyist for the Arthritis Foundation Washington/Alaska Chapter, was assessed a
  civil penalty of \$100 with the penalty suspended.
- **Gordon Baxter**, lobbyist for Inlandboatmen's Union, Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, Masters Mates & Pilots Union, Puget Sound District Council, Puget Sound Metal Trades Council and Washington Shipyards Coalition, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200 with \$100 suspended.
- Craig Engelking, lobbyist for Sierra Club, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100.
- Terry Kohl, lobbyist for Independent Auto Agents of Washington, Northwest Assisted Living
  Facilities Association, Puget Sound Executive Services, Rehabilitation Enterprises of Washington,
  Retired Public Employees Council of Washington, Washington Apartment Association, Washington
  Credit Union League, Washington Association of Naturopathic Physicians, Washington Association
  of Professional Guardians, Washington Society of Occularists, Washington State Residential Care
  Council, Washington State Snowmobile Association, Washington State Association of School
  Psychologists and the Washington State Self Storage Association, was assessed a civil penalty of
  \$150.
- **Jeff Mero**, lobbyist for the Association of Washington Public Hospital Districts, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200 with \$100 suspended pending no further violations this year.

- Lauren Moughon, lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons, was assessed a civil penalty of \$150.
- Lauri St Ours, lobbyist for the Northwest Assisted Living Facilities Association, was assessed a civil penalty of \$150.
- **Rowland Thompson**, lobbyist for the Allied Daily Newspapers of Washington, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200 with \$100 suspended pending no further violations this year.
- **Dana Childers**, lobbyist for the Liability Reform Coalition, was assessed a civil penalty of \$400 with \$200 suspended pending no future violations for the remainder of the calendar year.
- ACCESS, lobbyist for the Colville Confederated Tribes and the Quinault Indian Nation, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.
- Jamie Beletz, lobbyist for Hotel Employees & Restaurant Employees International, Hotel Employees & Restaurant Employees Tacoma Area and WMF Small Business Incubator Pierce County, was assessed a civil penalty of \$400 with \$200 suspended pending no future violations for the remainder of the calendar year.

## CANDIDATES FOUND IN VIOLATION FOR LATE REPORTING

The following candidates were found in violation of public disclosure laws for failure to timely file the required 7-day pre-general election C-4 report and were assessed civil penalties by the Chair of the Commission.

**Nancy Baker**, candidate for Port Commissioner for the Port of Vancouver, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

**Virgina Benton**, candidate for Port Commissioner for the Port of Bellingham, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100.

Jack Block, candidate for City Council for the City of Burien, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100.

**William Boyce**, candidate for City Council in the City of Kent, was assessed a civil penalty of \$500 with \$250 suspended if reports are filed within 30 days of the order.

**Dean Cossett**, candidate for Mayor in the City of Camas, was assessed a civil penalty of \$50.

**David Edler**, candidate for City Council in the City of Yakima, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200 with the penalty suspended if all reports are filed within 60 days of the order.

**Donald Hansey**, candidate for City Council for the City of Bellingham, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

**Ronald Harmon**, candidate for City Council for the City of Kent, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

**Betty Hoagland**, candidate for School Director for the Seattle School District #001, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

**Arthur Hu**, candidate for School Director for the Lake Washington School District #414, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

Brief Enforcement Hearing December 18, 2003 Page 4

**Theodore Kogita**, candidate for City Council for the City of Kent, was assessed a civil penalty of \$300.

**Pete Kremen**, candidate for County Executive for Whatcom County, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

**Robert Martin**, candidate for County Director of Community Development for Clallam County, was assessed a civil penalty of \$500 with \$250 of the penalty suspended if all reports are filed within 30 days of the final order.

**Teresa McQuillen**, candidate for City Council for the City of Port Townsend, was assessed a civil penalty of \$500 with \$250 of the penalty suspended if all reports are filed within 30 days of the order.

**Douglas Miller**, candidate for City Council for the City of Tacoma, was assessed a civil penalty of \$150.

**Thomas Oliva**, candidate for City Council in the City of Tumwater, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200 with the penalty suspended for a two year period pending no future violations of the disclosure law.

**Debra Raplee**, candidate for City Council for the City of Kent, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100.

**Asif Rauf**, candidate for City Council in the City of Redmond, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100 with the entire penalty suspended based on an accurate report being filed within 30 days of the order.

**James Robinson**, candidate for City Council in the City of Redmond, was assessed a civil penalty of \$200.

**Michael Siefkes**, candidate for City Council in the City of SeaTac, was assessed a civil penalty of \$100 with the entire penalty suspended provided all reports are filed within 30 days of the order.

The following candidates were found in violation of state law for failure to timely file the 7-day pre-general election C-4 report and the chair did not assess a fine.

Mark Cross, candidate for City Council in the City of Sammamish.

Albert Carter, candidate for County Commissioner for Grays Harbor County.

**Gerald Goodloe**, candidate for County Auditor for Snohomish County.

Michael Kundu, candidate for School Director for the Marysville School District #025.

Richard Muri, candidate for County Council in Pierce County.

**Lisa Vares**, candidate for City Council in the City of Marysville.

William Elfo, candidate for County Sheriff for Whatcom County.

Brady also vacated the violation and final order issued to **William Goggins** and **Diana Marquez** for failing to timely file a Statement of Personal Financial Affairs in 2003.

Candidates and political committees found in violation of the public disclosure law at the Brief Enforcement Hearings may ask the full, five-member Commission to review the action taken by the Chair.